GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1576
ANSWERED ON:27.11.2007
TELECASTING OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES BY IGNOU
Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indira Gandhi National Open University telecasts educational programmes in English and Hindi through Gyan Darshan;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time since when;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to telecast such educational programmes in other Indian languages as well; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (d): Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), at present, telecasts the Educational Programmes, in Hindi and English since January 2000, in Sanskrit since September 2003 and in Urdu since October 2005 through Gyan Darshan. IGNOU manages telecast of Educational Programmes prepared by its self and other organizations such as University Grants Commission (UGC)`s Educational Multimedia Research Centre, National Council for Educational Research and Training (NCERT)`s Central Institute of Educational Technology(CIET), National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Open University, Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) etc. Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore has finalized the production of programmes in other Indian languages such as Bengali, Tamil and Kannada.